

# NEW CHALLENGE TO TAFT BY ROOSEVELT

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### ENDLESS CHAIN OF TROOPS TRAP THE ALLEN OUTLAWS READY FOR DEATH FIGHT

**Gang Take Refuge on Squirrel  
Spur in Mountains and Es-  
cape Is Cut Off on All Sides.**

**MANY JOIN IN THE HUNT.**

**Hillsville Awaits News of Battle**

**Believed Imminent—All  
Eager for Vengeance.**

**HILLSVILLE, Va., March 19.—**

Trapped in a mountain den, surrounded by a wide circling, endless chain of troops and trailed by a big force of armed detectives and mountaineers, the Allen gang of outlaws have taken their last stand for a life and death fight. The outlaws have been taken refuge on Squirrel's Spur in the Blue Ridge Mountains, and all of today the pursuers have been pressing closer and closer on the hiding place. The original force engaged in the hunt has been largely augmented by State troops and citizens from Mount Airy, N. C., and other places. The capture of the band seems imminent. Interest shifted from the Devil's Den vicinity to Squirrel's Spur late yesterday when a large posse which had been scouring the mountains on the North Carolina side barely missed catching Wesley Edwards, a nephew of the older Allens, at his cabin, eight miles east of Squirrel's Spur. Edwards escaped through a back door.

His sister told the officers that Sida Allen, suffering from a severe wound, had been at the cabin during the day and had told Wesley to meet him at Squirrel's Spur last night. Taking Edwards' trail, the posse followed him to the rendezvous, arriving near the foot of the cliff about 10 o'clock. Not daring to do more in the darkness, the detectives placed themselves to prevent the possibility of an escape and waited.

**NEWS OF ATTACK EXPECTED**

**MOMENTARILY.**

News that they have moved against the Allens is expected momentarily.

Sida Allen, when seen today at the home of Steven Williams, half a mile from her residence, which has been closed since Thursday, said she had no idea where her husband was. When told that Floyd Allen was still alive she expressed regret. "I have no idea where Sida went when he left me Thursday. I only wish I did. I wish there never had been a gun made. I left our home the night this awful thing happened and my husband was still there. As I missed him terribly he told me to do everything I could for our two little children and be kind to his dog and cat. I haven't seen him since; haven't heard a word from him. I don't know where he is or how to reach him; he may be lying exposed with his two wounds, perhaps dying."

"Whatever he did in County Court, I believe he is now truly repentant for it, but he won't give up unless I appeal to him for our children's sake. No father ever loved his children more, nor was a kinder husband, but he has the Allen temper and that caused all this trouble."

Sida Allen hurried away from approaching pursuers without even a horse, according to William T. Quisenberry, who has been in his employ for years. Quisenberry said today that he first knew of the shooting on Thursday night when he walked into Allen's home to find Sida Allen the couch wounded through the left arm and with a flesh wound in the stomach. He contradicted the story told by Mrs. Allen by declaring that he left the husband and wife together and when he came back in the morning both were gone.

Here in Hillsville the belief is growing that the fugitives, with a full day's start on their pursuers, have separated and scattered into remote villages. They would not be recognized after traveling twenty-five miles in any direction. If they have fled in pairs, perhaps to reunite somewhere in North Carolina, West Virginia or Tennessee, there would be no hope of immediate capture.

To determine this definitely, Capt. H. W. Davant of the State militia is forming an endless chain of troops around the mountains to peer into every nook and crevice day after day. He is also stationing guards on the principal highways.

### THREAT TO BLOW UP ROSALSKY HEARD, POLICE ARE TOLD

**One Alleged Conspirator Said  
to Have Hoped Judge Would  
Be Decapitated.**

Important developments in the Rosalsky bomb mystery created a fever of excitement around Police Headquarters this afternoon. Many additional detectives were put on the case and it was reported that Commissioner Dougherty and Inspector Hughes had suddenly come into possession of important information.

A citizen is said to have volunteered the information that on a certain occasion, not long ago, he heard two men speaking about "blowing up" Judge Rosalsky and one of the men said he hoped the Judge's head would be blown off. Whether the volunteer witness gave any line on the identity of the men making the threats was not learned.

Post-Office Inspectors Jacobs and James spent some time at Headquarters with Dougherty today. The Post-Office Department is interested in the case because the bomb reached Judge Rosalsky by mail. A dozen experts in explosive and electricity conferred with the police today and examined the remains of the Rosalsky bomb and also what is left of the bomb that killed Grace Taylor six weeks ago. Experts from typewriter companies examined the addresses on both the bombs.

Judge Rosalsky said today he considered the incident closed so far as any personal investigation was concerned. "The police are fully capable of handling the situation, and while I am ready to give them any aid in my power in the way of having old records of my trial cases looked up and so on, I do not feel called upon to pursue a personal investigation."

Asked if he had received any new letters throwing any light on the mystery, the Judge said: "I have received several hundred letters since Saturday, but all have been from friends and well-wishers, who kindly proffered their congratulations. I have been unable to find time to answer all of them, but I shall do so as rapidly as possible. There have been no new letters of a threatening character or any that might have the slightest bearing on the identity of the would-be assassin."

**MRS. ROOSEVELT RETURNS.**

**Colonel Poses for Photographs**

**While Waiting for Ship to Dock.**

Col. Theodore Roosevelt went to Pier No. 15 East River to meet the steamer Turrialba, on which Mrs. Roosevelt and Miss Ethel were returning from a three weeks' trip to the Canal Zone. The Colonel made himself agreeable to a battery of newspaper photographers, for whom he struck characteristic attitudes until their appetite for snapshots was satisfied.

When the gangplank was being placed in position, Col. Roosevelt mounted it, but was compelled to remain in the middle of the awing bridge until deckhands made fast the shore lines. Inspector Mitchell of the Immigration Department, an attaché of the White House during the Roosevelt Administration, escorted the Colonel to the steamer, where he was met by the greeting, was as to the condition of their son, Theodore Jr., who was overcome in a fire in San Francisco. Col. Roosevelt soon quitted her fears by exhibiting a telegram telling of the young man's safety.

Acting Deputy Surveyor O'Connor permitted Mrs. Roosevelt and Miss Ethel to leave the pier before their baggage was examined, the chauffeur acting for them. Miss Roosevelt's present to her father was a walking stick purchased in Colon. With the Colonel and Mrs. J. West Roosevelt the party went to the Belmont.

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### DENTIST STRUCK WITH LEAD PIPE, DODGED A BULLET

**Stranger Makes Murderous As-  
sault on Dr. Goldstein in His  
Brooklyn Office.**

**ROBBERY IS THE MOTIVE.**

**Assailant Escapes, Leaving the  
Deadly Weapons and His  
False Whiskers Behind.**

Dr. Jacob W. Goldstein, a dentist, with an office at No. 476 Fifth street, South Brooklyn, was murderously assaulted late this afternoon by a man who entered his office, struck him over the head with a piece of lead pipe and fired a shot at him which did not take effect. The doctor's assailant fled, leaving the pistol, the lead pipe and a set of false whiskers behind. He made good his escape.

Dr. Goldstein says he never saw the man before. The only motive he can ascribe for the attack is robbery, although his assailant made no move to steal anything. Dr. Goldstein's office is on the second floor of a business building over a store. He was alone when the door opened and a stranger entered. As the doctor stepped forward his visitor leaped at him and struck out with the piece of lead pipe.

The doctor threw up his arms and for a moment defended himself against a violent rain of blows. But the stranger beat down his guard and managed to strike him twice on the head, inflicting long, deep scalp wounds.

**FIRE ONE SHOT FROM DOOR**

**AND THEN FLED.**

Although dazed, Dr. Goldstein kept upright and fought his assailant toward the door. The stranger in the meantime had concealed the lower part of his face. As he backed toward the door he drew a pistol and fired point blank at the dentist.

The bullet passed the doctor's face and hit the wall. Fearing that the sound of the shot would summon assistance, the doctor's assailant precipitately fled, leaving his instruments of assault behind.

Dr. Goldstein made his way downstairs, but when he reached the sidewalk the stranger had vanished. The policeman on post was summoned and called an ambulance from the Norwegian Hospital. Dr. Goldstein dressed Dr. Goldstein's wounds, which are painful but not serious.

The revolver left behind was of 38 calibre and four of the chambers were loaded. The lead pipe was old and had evidently been ripped from some piece of plumbing.

Owing to the suddenness and violence of the attack Dr. Goldstein got but an imperfect view of his murderous visitor. He describes him as a man of medium height, wearing a long gray overcoat. Besides the false whiskers he wore a small black mustache.

**DENTIST SAYS HE HASN'T A**

**KNOWN ENEMY.**

"I have had no trouble with my patients or anybody else," Dr. Goldstein told the police. "I have not received any threatening letters, and so far as I know, I haven't an enemy in the world. The man did not utter a word. He simply started at me as soon as he was inside the door, and the quick rush almost knocked me off my feet. I think he thought to stun and rob me, but I cannot imagine why he tried to shoot me."

Detectives from the Brooklyn Central Office were hurried to South Brooklyn as soon as the news of the assault reached Headquarters. The sleuths had very little to work on, but were hopeful of finding persons who may have seen Dr. Goldstein's assailant as he was running away.

**JERSEY WOMEN CAN'T VOTE.**

**Suffrage Amendment Defeated Al-**

**most Unanimously.**

TRENTON, N. J., March 19.—The New Jersey State Senate today defeated a resolution providing for an amendment to the Constitution extending the right of suffrage to women. The resolution received only three votes.

Stadium reservations and tickets for all baseball games, including the American and National League games, are now on sale at 10 cents a copy.

### TAFT SUMMONS MITCHELL TO AID IN AVERTING STRIKE

**Labor Leader Called to Wash-  
ington for Conference on  
Coal Mine Tieup.**

**HAS SEEN OPERATORS.**

**Coal Magnate Baer Suddenly  
Changes His Mind and Will  
Again Meet Workers.**

MANCHESTER, N. H., March 19.—Just before leaving here for Concord at 2.40, President Taft admitted that he had asked John Mitchell, former head of the United Mine Workers of America, to confer with him in Washington later this week regarding the probability of an anthracite coal strike. The President declared he has no intention of intervening, but that he feels the situation such that he wants to keep in closest touch with it. He said that he has already conferred with several prominent anthracite operators.

CHICAGO, March 19.—President Taft will take a hand in the coal situation to avert a strike in the anthracite fields. Alarmed over the political possibilities of a general strike of coal mines, the President is preparing to follow the precedent established by his predecessor in office in 1902 and bring pressure to bear on the anthracite coal operators to make concessions in the interests of peace.

**WARNING OF STRIKE GIVEN BY**

**CONGRESSMAN.**

To gain information on the subject, President Taft has called John Mitchell, former President of the United Mine Workers, to Washington for a conference. While Mr. Mitchell does not at present hold any official position in the miners' organization, he is the confidant of the leaders and is in as close touch with the situation as any man in the country.

President Taft is said to have great respect for the opinions of the former leader of the mine workers and believes he can give him better advice on the situation than any other man.

"I am going direct to Washington. I shall leave here tomorrow afternoon," this was the only answer that John Mitchell, former head of the United Mine Workers of America, would make today when asked regarding a report that he had been summoned by President Taft for a consultation in Washington regarding the impending strike in the anthracite coal regions.

"I am not in touch with the conditions in the coal fields. I know little or nothing of the controversy, and I have held no conferences with the leaders of the miners recently," said Mitchell. He refused to say whether he had received any communication directly or indirectly from the President.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 19.—A general national coal strike involving 60,000 miners in both anthracite and bituminous fields, if the anthracite interests fail to reach an agreement by April 1, was predicted today by Chairman Wilson of the House Labor Committee.

"The public seems to have lost sight of the fact entirely that the bituminous coal miners have failed to sign agreements," said Chairman Wilson, a member of the "labor group" in Congress. "The bituminous coal miners number at least 40,000, while the anthracite miners number 20,000. If the anthracite miners fail to agree to the strike is certain to involve all of the bituminous workers as well. A few non-union men in the South. Personally, however, I believe agreements will be reached to avert a strike."

Representative Wilson said his committee would not act until after developments April 1. BAER IS WILLING TO HOLD ANOTHER CONFERENCE. PHILADELPHIA, March 19.—George F. Baer, President of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad and considered the Car and leader of the coal operators and the dictator in the present dealings between the operators and the miners, declared yesterday that he is willing to meet the miners in another conference in the hope of arriving at some satisfactory conclusion that would prevent a miners' strike which might prove disastrous to both miners and operators.

The statement from Mr. Baer comes as a surprise to the coal men of Philadelphia, as it was supposed that he had taken a different attitude. When the statement was given out it was intimated that the real reason for it was not married.

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### Roosevelt as He Looked To-Day Greeting Wife and Daughter (By an Evening World Staff Photographer.)



### SUE HOTEL ASTOR FOR OUSTING THEM IN WEE SMA' HOURS

**Mr. and Mrs. Favish, Wrong-  
fully Accused, Seek Cash  
Balm for Injured Feelings.**

Mrs. Helen W. Favish, pretty young wife of Edward W. Favish, a Birmingham, Ala., business man, sat in the midst of a party of women friends, while her lawyer, Nathan P. Levy, told Justice Eriander and a jury late this afternoon that he would prove Mr. and Mrs. Favish were unceremoniously ejected from the Hotel Astor at 2 o'clock in the morning of May 8, 1910. The Favishes are suing the hotel.

"Mr. and Mrs. Favish were married in 1908," said Attorney Levy. "They came to New York from Savannah, Ga., arriving on Sunday, May 8, 1910. They went at once to the Hotel Astor and registered. About a quarter past 1 o'clock that night they were awakened by a knock at the door. Mr. Favish asked what was wanted and a voice replied, 'I have some ice water for you.' Mr. Favish said he wanted no ice water. Then there came another knock and a voice said, 'Open the door, quick—I have something important to say to you.' Mr. Favish opened the door slightly and A. R. Walding, assistant manager of the hotel, pushed his way in."

"He said, 'You are not married, you will have to get out.' Mr. Favish told him Mrs. Favish had recently undergone an operation and was weak and ill. He said she could not leave the hotel at that hour. He offered to identify himself through friends in the city."

"I don't know your friends and I don't want to. Walding replied, 'You'll have to get out.' The Favishes then left the hotel. Mr. Favish called up Dr. Oberdorfer, a friend, and finally persuaded Walding to talk with the doctor on the telephone. The doctor told Walding Mr. and Mrs. Favish were married and that their being ordered out of the hotel was an outrage. Walding replied that he didn't believe they were married."

"Mr. Favish said he would leave the hotel and asked Walding to get out of the room, calling his attention to the fact that Mrs. Favish was in her night dress. Oh," said Walding, "I suppose she is used to being seen in her night dress."

Attorney Jashin Holmes, for the hotel company, also made an opening statement. He said that about 9 o'clock in the evening in question, a unsigned special delivery letter came from Birmingham, Ala., addressed to the hotel. It read:

"Mr. E. W. Favish, at your hotel, is not married."

"At the time the letter came," said

### TRAIN TOSSES WOMAN 100 FEET ON FATAL CURVE

**Mrs. Margaret Keeley Passes  
Under Safety Gate in  
Orange and Is Killed.**

The Lincoln avenue crossing of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad in Orange took toll of another life today. Mrs. Margaret Keeley of No. 471 Valley road, West Orange, was instantly killed as she passed under a lowered safety gate, and started across the track behind a drill train, a fast express of the line striking her and throwing her fully a hundred feet in the air. She is the fourth person to meet death at this crossing within the last three years.

The accident occurred two blocks west of the Orange station on a curve which is considered one of the most dangerous on the road and was witnessed by a number of persons who were waiting beside Mrs. Keeley to take a train to New York. It would seem that the unfortunate woman had only herself to blame, as there are gates and a watchman on duty at this crossing day and night and the gates were down to give warning.

A drill train was passing the crossing and as the last car went by Mrs. Keeley stopped under the gate and started across the track. It was then that an express train bound for New York bore down upon her. There were a number of persons waiting at the crossing, but none save Mrs. Keeley ventured to pass under the gate.

When the engineer of the train rounding the curve saw her it was too late to make brakes effective. Mrs. Keeley's body was carried a hundred feet down the track.

The lawyer, "Mr. and Mrs. Favish were out. About midnight Mr. Walding ascertained they were in their room and went up to ask an explanation of ten letter. Mr. Favish became indignant and refused to identify himself. Then he told Mr. Walding to come in, and he called up Dr. Oberdorfer. Mr. Walding apologized, and said there was no occasion for Mr. and Mrs. Favish to worry further. But Mr. Favish, still indignant, said he would not remain at the hotel. He and his wife then left."

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"At the time the letter came," said

### HOT ATTACK ON TAFT AND HIS SUPPORTERS MADE BY ROOSEVELT

**Colonel in Reply to President's Bos-  
ton Speech on Soap Box Primaries  
Declares His Friends Blocked  
Passage of Reform Laws.**

**CALLS ON HIS RIVAL  
TO SUPPORT THEM NOW**

**Declares Presidential Primary Bills  
Can Be Passed in New York, Illinois,  
Michigan, and Maryland.**

In a statement issued at the Outlook office this afternoon Col. Roosevelt takes direct issue with President Taft in the matter of the soap box primary, and for the first time since the estrangement of the President and the Colonel the latter mentions the name of President Taft in an attack on the President's policy. The statement follows:

"President Taft is reported as saying that the voluntary primary, or, as he calls it, the 'soap box' primary—that is, the method adopted by the people as the only way in which to express their wishes, when their Legislatures deny them any opportunities to do so—is worse than nothing. But the President continues to say that he favored a preferential primary for the Presidency."

### E. R. THOMAS SUE FOR DIVORCE; WIFE NAMES AN ACTRESS

**Young Millionaire's Wife Says  
She Hasn't Seen Him Since  
Last September.**

Edward R. Thomas was made defendant in a suit filed in the Supreme Court this afternoon by his wife, Mrs. Linda Thomas, for an absolute divorce. In her complaint, filed by the law firm of Carter, Ledyard & Milburn, Mrs. Thomas named Theodora Gerard, who is said to be an actress, as co-respondent.

She alleged that Thomas acted improperly with Miss Gerard in London and Paris during the summer of 1910, and charged, further, that he had been entirely too friendly with "divers other women" whose names are unknown to her in this city, London and Paris from time to time.

Mrs. Thomas declares that she has not seen her husband since September last, when he went abroad. She obtained an order from Justice Gavanca this afternoon to serve Thomas with the summons and complaint by publication.

The couple were married in this city June 23, 1901, and have no children. Mrs. Thomas lives at the Carlton House, No. 22 East Forty-seventh street. Her attorney is John D. Milburn, who, in his affidavit, informed the Court that he had vainly endeavored to locate Mr. Thomas. The latter's counsel, Charles E. McBurney, of No. 31 Nassau street, had told him Mr. Milburn said that Thomas was last heard of at Nice, France.

**72 AND 30 TO BE MADE ONE.**

**Aged Mr. Merritt Is to Wed Young**

**Woman Farmer.**

GREENWICH, Conn., March 19.—Daniel Merritt, aged seventy-two, a wealthy retired farmer of Port Chester, announced today that he is soon to marry Miss Mabel Ferris, aged thirty, daughter of John Ferris of Stamford. It will be Merritt's first matrimonial venture. He met Miss Ferris recently on a trip to her local farm to purchase a team of oxen. Merritt will not make public the date of the wedding.

"I am exceedingly glad that President Taft has taken this ground, and if his campaign managers will sincerely back him in this proposition we will be able at once to set the Presidential primary in Michigan, Illinois, Maryland, the District of Columbia and New York."

"On the fifth of the month, Matthew Hale of Boston, acting on behalf of the Massachusetts Republicans, who are making a desperate fight for the passage of the Preferential bill, wired the President at the White House asking him for his moral support in securing the passage of the bill."

**HALE'S CHARGES AGAINST THE PRESIDENT SUPPORTED.**

"Mr. Hale referred specifically to the fact that the President's adherents in Massachusetts were using every means to defeat the passage of the bill."

"On March 6, the President's Secretary, Mr. Hulse, wrote Mr. Hale a brief note, saying that his message had been received and by direction of Mr. Taft referred to his campaign manager, Congressman McKinley (who at the time was doing all he could to defeat a similar measure in Illinois)."

"Nothing further was heard from the President or from his campaign manager, Mr. McKinley, for some time, and one in Massachusetts, as far as I know, and no moral aid, comfort or support was given by the President or his manager to the men in Massachusetts, who were making a most desperate fight to overcome the effort of the President's supporters in that State, to defeat the bill."

**HOPES THEY WILL SUPPORT LAW IN OTHER STATES.**

"However, public opinion was aroused and the bill went through, and I am exceedingly glad that the President now, nearly a week after the bill has become a law, should say as he does that he favors it and welcomes it. But I earnestly hope that the President and his supporters will in other States support such legislation before it passes, and not after it passes."

"There is pending in the Legislature of Maryland a bill providing against the exact kind of legally safeguarded Presidential preferential primaries which the President says he favors."

"The Collector of Customs at Baltimore, the most active of the President's managers of Maryland and the head of the officeholders there, has been opposing the enactment of this measure by every means in his power. Every Roosevelt member of the Maryland Legislature is for the Primary bill. They have been endeavoring to secure the assistance of Collector Stone and Gen. Goldsborough and the other supporters of President Taft."

"An almost similar situation exists in Michigan. There the Legislature was called in special session by Gov. Osborn to enact a Presidential primary law. The gentlemen who are leading the movement in that State for Mr. Taft's